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Claim 1 (currently amended): A server apparatus for connection with a client apparatus via a communication network to transmit advertisement information to said client apparatus via which a user receives musical training, said server apparatus comprising a processor adapted to:

a reception section that receives, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in said particular client apparatus;

a selection section that selects, on the basis of the client information received by said reception section, including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used in a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a control section that performs control such that the selected advertisement information is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 2 (original): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging purchase of a product related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the client information includes non-musical general information in addition to the musical information, and wherein said selection section processor selects the advertisement information on the basis of the musical information in combination with the non-musical general information.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A client apparatus for connection with a server apparatus via a communication network to receive advertisement information from said server apparatus, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said client apparatus comprising a processor adapted to:

a control section that performs perform control such that client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in a particular said client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network;

a reception section that receivesreceive, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a reproduction section that reproduces reproduce the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a tone generator device that generates a tone related to musical training.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A client apparatus as claimed in claim 4,
wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging
purchase of a product related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said ~~particular~~
client apparatus, and

wherein said reproduction section processor reproduces the advertisement information by
displaying, on the basis of the advertisement information, a screen for encouraging the purchase of
the product, and, on the basis of a predetermined purchasing operation executed using the screen,
informs said server apparatus that a user of said ~~particular~~ client apparatus wants to purchase the
product.

Claim 6 (currently amended): An information transmission/reception system comprising for connecting a client apparatus and a server apparatus connected to said client apparatus via a communication network to communicate advertisement information from said server apparatus to said client apparatus, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus,

wherein said server apparatus is configured to receive, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in said particular client apparatus, selects, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used in a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus, and performs control such that the selected advertisement information is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network, and

wherein said client apparatus is configured to receiver receives, via the communication network, the advertisement information transmitted by said server apparatus in accordance with the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus, and reproduces the advertisement information received from said server apparatus, and generate a tone related to musical training.

Claim 7 (original): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging purchase of a product related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus.

Claim 8 (currently amended): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the client information includes non-musical general information in addition to the musical information, and said server apparatus is configured to select ~~selects~~ the advertisement information on the basis of the musical information in combination with the non-musical general information.

Claim 9 (currently amended): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging purchase of a product related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus, and wherein said client apparatus is configured to reproduce ~~reproduces~~ the advertisement information by displaying, on the basis of the advertisement information, a screen for encouraging the purchase of the product, and, on the basis of a predetermined purchasing operation executed using the screen, inform ~~informs~~ said server apparatus that a user of said particular client apparatus wants to purchase the product.

Claim 10 (currently amended): A server apparatus for connection with a client apparatus via a communication network to transmit advertisement information to said client apparatus via which a user receives musical performance training, said server apparatus comprising a processor adapted to:

a reception section that receives, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus;

a selection section that selectsselect, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received; and

a control section that performs perform control such that the selected advertisement information is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 11 (original): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 10 wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging purchase of a product related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus.

Claim 12 (original): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 10 wherein the client information includes non-musical general information in addition to the musical information, and said server apparatus selects the advertisement information on the basis of the musical information in combination with the non-musical general information.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A client apparatus for connection with a server apparatus via a communication network to receive advertisement information from said server apparatus, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said client apparatus comprising a processor adapted to:

a control section that performs perform control such that client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network;

a reception section that receivesreceive, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the contents of the musical performance training; and

a reproduction section that reproduces reproduce the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a tone generator device that generates a tone related to musical performance training.

Claim 14 (currently amended): A client apparatus as claimed in claim 13,
wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging
purchase of a product related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received via
said ~~particular~~-client apparatus, and

wherein said client apparatus reproduces the advertisement information by displaying, on the
basis of the advertisement information, a screen for encouraging the purchase of the product, and,
on the basis of a predetermined purchasing operation executed using the screen, informs said server
apparatus that a user of said ~~particular~~-client apparatus wants to purchase the product.

Claim 15 (currently amended): An information transmission/reception system ~~for connecting comprising a server apparatus and a client apparatus connected to said server apparatus via a communication network to communicate advertisement information from said server apparatus to said client apparatus, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus,~~

wherein said server apparatus is configured to receive, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus, selects, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the contents of the musical performance training, and performs control such that the selected advertisement information is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network, and

wherein said client apparatus is configured to receive, via the communication network, the advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in accordance with the contents of the musical performance training, and reproduces the advertisement information received from said server apparatus, and generates a tone related to musical performance training.

Claim 16 (original): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 15 wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging purchase of a product related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus.

Claim 17 (currently amended): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 15 wherein the client information includes non-musical general information in addition to the musical information, and wherein said server apparatus is configured to select ~~selects~~ the advertisement information on the basis of the musical information in combination with the non-musical general information.

Claim 18 (currently amended): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 15 wherein the advertisement information is advertisement information for encouraging purchase of a product related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus, and wherein said client apparatus is configured to reproduce ~~reproduces~~ the advertisement information by displaying, on the basis of the advertisement information, a screen for encouraging the purchase of the product, and, on the basis of a predetermined purchasing operation executed using the screen, inform ~~informs~~ said server apparatus that a user of said particular client apparatus wants to purchase the product.

Claims 19-40 (canceled)

Claim 41 (currently amended): A method for supplying information from a server apparatus to a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of receiving, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in said particular client apparatus;

a step of selecting, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used in a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of performing control such that the advertisement information selected via said step of selecting is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 42 (currently amended): A method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of performing control such that client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and

a step of receiving, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of reproducing the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and
a step of generating a tone related to musical training in the particular client apparatus.

Claim 43 (currently amended): A method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of causing said server apparatus to receive, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in said particular client apparatus;

a step of causing said server apparatus to select, on the basis of the received client information ~~including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used in a particular client apparatus~~, advertisement information related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus;

a step of causing said server apparatus to perform control such that the advertisement information selected by said server apparatus is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to receive, via the communication network, the advertisement information transmitted by said server apparatus in accordance with the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to reproduce ~~reproducing~~ the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to generate a tone related to musical training.

Claim 44 (currently amended): A method for supplying information from a server apparatus to a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of receiving, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus;

a step of selecting, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received; and

a step of performing control such that the selected advertisement information is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 45 (currently amended): A method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of performing control such that client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and

a step of receiving, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the contents of the musical performance training; and

a step of reproducing the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and
a step of generating a tone related to musical performance training in the particular client apparatus.

Claim 46 (currently amended): A method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of causing said server apparatus to receive, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus;

a step of causing said server apparatus to select, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the contents of the musical performance training;

a step of causing said server apparatus to perform control such that client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to receive, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the contents of the musical performance training; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to reproduce the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a step of generating a tone related to musical performance training in the particular client apparatus.

Claim 47-49 (canceled)

Claim 50 (currently amended): A machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause for causing a processor to perform an information supply method for supplying information from a server apparatus to a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said information supply method comprising:

a step of receiving, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in said particular client apparatus;

a step of selecting, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used in a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of performing control such that the advertisement information selected via said step of selecting is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 51 (currently amended): A machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a processor to perform a method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of performing control such that client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and

a step of receiving, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of reproducing the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and
a step of generating a tone related to musical training in the particular client apparatus.

Claim 52 (currently amended): A combination of a first machine-readable storage medium and a second machine-readable storage medium, said first machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a server processor to perform a first method-procedure for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said second machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a client processor to perform a second procedure for communicating information between said server apparatus and said client apparatus via said communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus,

said first procedure method comprising:

a step of causing said server apparatus to receive, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used for musical training in said particular client apparatus;

a step of causing said server apparatus to select, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of a type of performance equipment being used in a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of causing said server apparatus to perform control such that the advertisement information selected by said server apparatus is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network; and

said second procedure comprising:

a step of causing said client apparatus to receive, via the communication network, the

advertisement information transmitted by said server apparatus in accordance with the type of the performance equipment being used in said particular client apparatus; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to reproduce ~~reproducing~~ the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to generate a tone related to musical training.

Claim 53 (currently amended): A machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a processor to perform a method for supplying information from a server apparatus to a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of receiving, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus;

a step of selecting, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the contents of the musical performance training to be received; and

a step of performing control such that the selected advertisement information is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 54 (currently amended): A machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a processor to perform a method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus, said method comprising:

a step of performing control such that client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and

a step of receiving, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the contents of the musical performance training; and

a step of reproducing the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a step of generating a tone related to musical performance training in the particular client apparatus.

Claim 55 (currently amended): A combination of a first machine-readable storage medium and a second machine-readable storage medium, said first machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a server processor to perform a first procedure method for communicating information between a server apparatus and a client apparatus via a communication network, said second machine-readable storage medium containing a program to cause a client processor to perform a second procedure for communicating information between said server apparatus and said client apparatus via said communication network, said client apparatus being adapted to communicate with said server apparatus so that a user of said client apparatus can receive musical performance training from said server apparatus via said client apparatus,

said first procedure method comprising:

a step of causing said server apparatus to receive, from a particular client apparatus via the communication network, client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via said particular client apparatus;

a step of causing said server apparatus to select, on the basis of the received client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus, advertisement information related to the contents of the musical performance training; and

a step of causing said server apparatus to perform control such that client information including musical information indicative of contents of musical performance training to be received via a particular client apparatus is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and

said second procedure comprising:

a step of causing said client apparatus to receive, via the communication network, advertisement information that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the musical information and is related to the contents of the musical performance training; and

a step of causing said client apparatus to reproduce ~~reproducing~~ the advertisement information received from said server apparatus; and

a step of generating a tone related to musical performance training in the particular client apparatus.

Claim 56-58 (canceled)

Claim 59 (new): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein said control section performs control to transmit, to the particular client apparatus, information for musical training together with the selected advertisement information.

Claim 60 (new): A client apparatus as claimed in claim 4 wherein said reception section receives, from the server apparatus, information for musical training together with the selected advertisement.

Claim 61 (new): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 6 wherein said server apparatus is configured to transmit, to the particular client apparatus, information for musical training together with the selected advertisement, and said client apparatus is configured to receive, from the server apparatus, the information for musical training together with the selected advertisement information.

Claim 62 (new): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 10 wherein said control section performs control to transmit, to the particular client apparatus, information for musical performance training together with the selected advertisement information.

Claim 63 (new): A client apparatus as claimed in claim 13 wherein said reception section receives, from the server apparatus, information for musical performance training together with the selected advertisement.

Claim 64 (new): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 15 wherein said server apparatus is configured to transmit, to the particular client apparatus, information for musical performance training together with the selected advertisement, and said client apparatus is configured to receive, from the server apparatus, the information for musical performance training together with the selected advertisement information.

Claim 65 (new): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 1 which further comprises:

- a memory storing a program for use in musical training which is composed of a plurality of musical performance training programs;
- a program selection section that selects any one of the plurality of musical performance training programs stored in said memory, in response to a request made by a particular client apparatus via which a user receives musical training;
- a billing control section that performs a billing operation for billing said client apparatus for the selected musical performance training program; and
- a transmission control section that performs control such that the selected musical performance training program is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 66 (new): A client apparatus as claimed in claim 4 which further comprises:

- a second control section that performs control such that request information requesting any one of a plurality of musical performance training programs composing a program for use in musical training is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and
- a second reception section that receives, via the communication network, one of the musical performance training programs that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the request information.

Claim 67 (new): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 6 wherein said server apparatus further comprises a memory storing a program for use in musical training which is composed of a plurality of musical performance training programs, and wherein said server apparatus is further configured to select any one of the plurality of musical performance training programs stored in said memory, in response to a request made by a particular client apparatus via which a user receives musical training, perform a billing operation for billing said client apparatus for the selected musical performance training program, and perform control such that the selected musical performance training program is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network, and wherein said client apparatus is further configured to perform control such that request information requesting any one of a plurality of musical performance training programs composing a program for use in musical training is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network, and receive, via the communication network, one of the musical performance training programs that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the request information.

Claim 68 (new): A server apparatus as claimed in claim 10 which further comprises:

- a memory storing a program for use in musical performance training which is composed of a plurality of musical performance training programs;
- a program selection section that selects any one of the plurality of musical performance training programs stored in said memory, in response to a request made by a particular client apparatus via which a user receives musical training;
- a billing control section that performs a billing operation for billing said client apparatus for the selected musical performance training program; and
- a transmission control section that performs control such that the selected musical performance training program is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network.

Claim 69 (new): A client apparatus as claimed in claim 13 which further comprises:

- a second control section that performs control such that request information requesting any one of a plurality of musical performance training programs composing a program for use in musical performance training is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network; and
- a second reception section that receives, via the communication network, one of the musical performance training programs that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the request information.

Claim 70 (new): An information transmission/reception system as claimed in claim 15 wherein said server apparatus further comprises a memory storing a program for use in musical performance training which is composed of a plurality of musical performance training programs, and

wherein said server apparatus is further configured to select any one of the plurality of musical performance training programs stored in said memory, in response to a request made by a particular client apparatus via which a user receives musical training, perform a billing operation for billing said client apparatus for the selected musical performance training program, and perform control such that the selected musical performance training program is transmitted to said particular client apparatus via the communication network, and

wherein said client apparatus is further configured to perform control such that request information requesting any one of a plurality of musical performance training programs composing a program for use in musical performance training is transmitted to said server apparatus via the communication network, and receive, via the communication network, one of the musical performance training programs that is transmitted by said server apparatus in response to the request information.